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For: METHOD TO DIVIDE UPSTREAM TIMESLOTS IN A TIME DIVISION MULTIPLEX
ACCESS SYSTEM, RELATED LINE TERMINATOR AND RELATED NETWORK
TERMINATOR

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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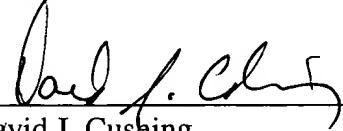
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